S. No.	Name of State	1991-92	1992-93	1993-94
18.	Nagaland	3.50	3.50	7.29
19.	Orissa	859.98	738.52	1016.11
20.	Pondicherry	6.83	5.78	16.02
21.	Punjab	579.98	638.97	661.30
22.	Rajasthan	1054.61	1141.02	1339.97
23.	Tamil Nadu	979.91	1134.69	1643.67
24.	Uttar Pradesh	1312.05	1394.96	1710.52
25.	West Bengal	1284.35	1071.51	1760.45

Diesel Supply to Delhi Transport Corporation

6847. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA:
SHRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the present Chairman-cum-Mananging Director of Delhi Transport Corporation is finding it difficult to function under the circumstances given by Government;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) whether it is also a fact that diesel supply to DTC has been cut off;

(d) if so, what are the reasons therefor and what is its impact on the smooth running of DTC buses and other vehicles stating the quantity of diesel supplied to DTC every month; and

(e) what steps have been taken by Government for resuming supply of diesel to DTC for its smooth running?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) Diesel supply to DTC was cut for a few days on two occasions in the recent past by the Oil Companies on account of non-payment of outstanding arrears payable by DTC to Oil Companies. However, there was no major impact on smooth running of buses on this score. The Oil Companies supply approximately 6000 KL HSD per month to DTC.

(e) Government have approved payment of additional funds to DTC to liquidate its outstanding liabilities including payment of arears to Oil Companies. Government had also requested the Oil Companies, not to stop the supplies of diesel and petrol etc. to DTC.

Recommendations made by Committee on Chief Ministers for withdrawal of Octroi

6848. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA:
SHRI RAGHAVJI:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that all over the country the truck and lorry transport operators had struck operation demanding inter alia withdrawal of collection of Octroi at the States border check posts;

(b) whether it is a fact that complaints have consistently been received about corruption, besides harassment and avoidable hold-ups of the goods transport vehicles at the Octroi posts;

(c) if so, steps taken by Government to eliminate the root causes of such complaints as well as the possibility of hindrances to smooth flow of goods transports by road;

(d) the details of the principal points of recommendations made by the Committee of Chief Ministers (known as SP Bagla Committee); and

(e) reaction of Government to the recommendations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) to stop the possible harassment and corruption, the Central Government had issued certain guidelines to all the States/UTs for implementation. A copy is attached as Statement. (*See* below).

(d) the Committee of Chief Ministers has not yet submitted its report to the Government.

(e) Does not arise in view of (d) above.

Statement

(i) For vehicles coming from outside the State, the document/load in respect of goods carriers may be checked as far as possible only at the border points. Within the State, there would be no checking for such vehicles which have already been checked at the State borders. In respect of goods vehicles which operate only within the State, checking would be done on random basis.

(ii) As far as possible, the checking of drivers should be conducted jointly by the Police/Transport Departments on pre-determined intervals and there should not be a daily checking by either of the authorities. The operators both of the trucks and the buses should be freed of the regular checking drives.

(iii) The documents of stage carriage buses which have valid permits documents should be checked only once a month/3 months on a random basis. In respect of other buses which operate without permits/registration certificates, it was suggested that there be an enhancement in the fines which could be levied and also a stipulation that such vehicles would be impounded/registration suspended and that such vehicles should not be released even by the Courts unless valid stage carriage permits are obtained.

(iv) The document of permits of tourist buses operated by companies/individuals recognised by the Department of Tourism should be checked only at the tourist points where the buses are parked for longer periods and when there are no tourists in the buses.

(v) It was, however, noted that State Governments would be free to deal with the situation of violation of provisions of the Motor Vehicles Act/rules. However, as far as possible harassment of bonafide operators of stage carriage and truck operators would be minimised, if not eliminated. State Government would be free to conduct checking where specific instances come to their notice.

(vi) State Governments would also consider the desirability of issuing instructions prohibiting officers of the Police Department from the checking of motor vehicles on the road for document.

Agreement of Haryana Govt. with a firm of Israel for Construction of an Express Highway

6849. SHRI S.S. SURJEWALA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Chief Minister of Haryana has executed an agreement with a firm of Israel for the construction of an Express Highway between Yamunanagar and Delhi during his recent visit to Israel and other countries;

(b) if so, what are the details of the agreement;

(c) whether any State of Indian Union can enter into a direct agreement, negotiation with a foreign firm/country without a recourse through Government of India;

(d) if so, what are the relevant rules in this regard; and

(e) if not, how the Chief Minister of Haryana has done so and with whose authority?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH